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# BEFORE THE JUDICIAL PANEL ON MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION

IN RE NEURONTIN MARKETING, SALES PRACTICES AND PRODUCTS
LIABILITY LITIGATION

(SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE A)

## ORDER LIFTING STAY OF CONDITIONAL TRANSFER ORDER

A conditional transfer order was filed in the 21 actions listed on the attached Schedule A on April 13, 2005. Prior to expiration of that order's fifteen-day stay of transmittal, plaintiffs in the 21 actions submitted a notice of opposition to the proposed transfer. Plaintiffs have now advised the Panel that they withdraw their initial opposition to transfer with respect to these 21 actions.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the stay of the Panel's conditional transfer order designated as "CTO-6" filed on April 13, 2005, is LIFTED, and thus these 21 actions are transferred to the District of Massachusetts for inclusion in the coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings under 28 U.S.C. § 1407 being conducted by the Honorable Patti B. Saris.

FOR THE PANEL:

Michael J. Beck

Clerk of the Panel

#### SCHEDULE A

# MDL-1629 — In re Neurontin Marketing, Sales Practices and Products Liability Litigation

## Southern District of Alabama

Darlene Owens, etc. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:04-768

#### District of New Jersey

James H. Whitehouse, Sr., et al. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 2:04-6257

#### Northern District of New York

Frank Vercillo, Jr. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 5:05-32

#### Southern District of New York

Gary L. Lyman, etc., et al. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:04-6704 Mark Minisquero, et al. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:04-7297 Nicole Justine James v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:04-7374 Jay DiGiacomo v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:04-7962 Avrill C. Aronson, etc. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:04-8721 Joy Dodson, et al. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:04-8963 Timothy P. Scott, etc. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:04-8990 Dorothy Kern v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:04-9249 John Dees, et al. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:04-9304 Peter Veraas v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:04-9429 Theodore Populis, et al. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:04-10265 Kathleen Wilson, etc. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:05-72 William Montgomery v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:05-73 Michael Mendoza v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:05-74 Johnnie Hargrove v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:05-75 Shanan Feyer, etc. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:05-76 Gregory Retzer v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:05-77 Sidney Brown, etc. v. Pfizer, Inc., et al., C.A. No. 1:05-237

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# U.S. District Court Southern District of New York (Foley Square) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:04-cv-09304-JSR

Dees et al v. Pfizer Inc. et al Assigned to: Judge Jed S. Rakoff

Cause: 28:1332 Diversity-Personal Injury

Date Filed: 11/24/2004 Jury Demand: Plaintiff

Nature of Suit: 365 Personal Inj. Prod.

Liability

Jurisdiction: Diversity

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**Defendant** 

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11/24/2004	1	COMPLAINT against Parke-Davis, Pfizer Inc., Warner-Lambert Company, Warner-Lambert Company LLC,. (Filing Fee \$ 150.00, Receipt Number 527316)Document filed by Betty Dees, John Dees.(jjm, ) Additional attachment(s) added on 12/1/2004 (jjm, ). (Entered: 11/29/2004)	
11/24/2004		SUMMONS ISSUED as to Parke-Davis, Pfizer Inc., Warner-Lambert Company, Warner-Lambert Company LLC,. (jjm, ) (Entered: 11/29/2004)	
11/24/2004		Magistrate Judge Gabriel W. Gorenstein is so designated. (jjm, ) (Entered: 11/29/2004)	
11/24/2004		Case Designated ECF. (jjm, ) (Entered: 11/29/2004)	
12/16/2004	2	NOTICE OF CASE REASSIGNMENT to Judge Jed S. Rakoff. Judge Thomas P. Griesa no longer assigned to the case. (laq, ) Additional attachment(s) added on 1/3/2005 (laq, ). (Entered: 01/03/2005)	
01/03/2005		Mailed notice to the attorney(s) of record. (laq, ) (Entered: 01/03/2005)	
01/07/2005	3	NOTICE of Appearance by Eleanor Louise Polimeni on behalf of all plaintiffs (Polimeni, Eleanor) (Entered: 01/07/2005)	

01/11/2005	$\frac{4}{}$	RULE 7.1 DISCLOSURE STATEMENT. Document filed by Pfizer Inc., Parke-Davis, Warner-Lambert Company, Warner-Lambert Company LLC,.(Zissu, Erik) (Entered: 01/11/2005)	
01/11/2005	<u>5</u>	ANSWER to Complaint. Document filed by Pfizer Inc., Parke-Davis, Warner-Lambert Company, Warner-Lambert Company LLC,.(Zissu, Erik) (Entered: 01/11/2005)	
01/12/2005	<u>6</u>	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE of Answer served on Kenneth B. Fromson, Esq., Finkelstein & Partners on January 11, 2005. Service was made by Mail. Document filed by Pfizer Inc., Parke-Davis, Warner-Lambert Company, Warner-Lambert Company LLC,. (Zissu, Erik) (Entered: 01/12/2005)	
01/31/2005	<u>7</u>	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE of Defendants' Disclosure of Interested Persons 7.1 Statement served on Kenneth B. Fromson, Esq., Finkelstein & Partners on 01/11/2005. Service was made by Mail. Document filed by Pfizer Inc., Parke-Davis, Warner-Lambert Company, Warner-Lambert Company LLC, (Zissu, Erik) (Entered: 01/31/2005)	
02/01/2005	8	AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE of Summons and Complaint. Parke-Davis served on 1/4/2005, answer due 1/24/2005. Service was accepted by Elizabeth Carducci Staehl, Managing Agent. Document filed by John Dees; Betty Dees. (Polimeni, Eleanor) (Entered: 02/01/2005)	
02/01/2005	AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE of Summons and Complaint.  Warner-Lambert Company served on 1/4/2005, answer due 1/24/2005.  Service was accepted by Elizabeth Carducci Staehl, Managing Agent.  Document filed by John Dees; Betty Dees. (Polimeni, Eleanor)  (Entered: 02/01/2005)		

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